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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions:

Listing of claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A forestry management process comprising:
 - inserting at least one tag having a frequency capable of being read by a scanner into a tree;
 - associating at least one item of information with said at least one tag;
 - performing at least one subsequent scan on said at least one tag, wherein said subsequent scan takes place after said at least one tag is inserted into said tree;
 - obtaining said at least one item of information associated with said at least one tag;
 - wherein said at least one item of information is relevant to forestry management.
2. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein the inserting of said at least one tag has a negligible physiological impact on said tree.
3. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein the inserting of said at least one tag leaves a minimal visual mark on said tree.
4. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein at least one of said at least one tag is inserted into the trunk portion of said tree.
5. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein at least one of said at least one tag is inserted in the base portion of said

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tree.

6. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein said at least one item of information is changed after performing said subsequent scan.

7. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein said at least one item of information comprises at least one of a tree identifier, a border marking, an owner marking, an environmental assessment, an area identifier, and a harvest date.

8. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein said at least one item of information is related to data in a remote data base.

9. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 8, wherein said data comprises instructions on how to manage said tree.

10. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, further comprising sending said at least one item of information associated with said at least one tag to a computer

11. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 10, wherein said computer gives instruction on how to manage said tree.

12. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 10, wherein said computer system is linked with a computer.

13. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 10, wherein said computer is linked with a scanning system.

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14. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein said subsequent scan is performed with a scanner mounted on at least one of a vehicle, a lumber yard entrance, a lumber yard building, and a truck inspection station.

15. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein said frequency is a radio frequency.

16. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein at least one of said at least one tag is passive.

17. (Previously Presented) The forestry management process as in claim 1, wherein at least one of said at least one tag is active.

18. (Currently Amended) A forestry management process comprising:
 attaching inserting at least one tag having a frequency capable of being read by a scanner to into a tree;
 scanning said at least one tag by a person;
 associating at least one item of information with said at least one tag;
 performing at least one subsequent scan on said at least one tag;
 obtaining said at least one item of information associated with said at least one tag;
 wherein said frequency is identifiable over other frequencies;
 wherein said at least one item of information is relevant to forestry management;
 wherein said at least one item of information is related to data in a remote data base.

19. (Currently Amended) The forestry management process as in claim 18, wherein said person may ~~after~~ alter said associated data.

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20. (Currently Amended) A forestry management process comprising:

~~attaching~~ inserting at least one tag having a frequency capable of being read by a scanner to into a tree and wherein said frequency is pre-associated with at least one item of information relating to forestry management;

scanning said at least one tag;

obtaining said at least one item of information associated with said at least one tag;

wherein said at least one item of information is related to forestry management.